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SUBJECT: REVISION OF CONSULAR DISTRICTS IN POLAND

1. AS RESULT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM RECENTLY EFFECTED IN POLAND, WHICH CREATED 49 WOJEWODZTWOS FROM THE FORMER 17, THE EMBASSY, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CONSULATES IN KRAKOW AND POZNAN, HAS DISCUSSED THE REVISION OF THE CONSULAR DISTRICTS. WHILE ATTEMPTING TO AVOID MAJOR SHIFTS OF AREAS, BUT TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION A NUMBER OF OTHER FACTORS, E.G., GEOGRAPHICAL AND POPULATION CONDITIONS AND THE EASE OF TRAVELING TO THE VARIOUS POSTS VIA PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, WE PROPOSE TO REDEFINE THE RESPECTIVE CONSULAR DISTRICTS BY WOJEWODZTWO AS FOLLOWS:

WARSAW KRAKOW POZNAN

BIALA PODLASKA	BIELSKO BIALA	BYDGOSZCZ
BIALYSTOK	KATOWICE	GORZOW WIELKOPOLSKI
CHELM	KIELCE	JELENIA GORA
CIECHANOW	KROSNO	KALISZ
CZESTOCHOWA	KRAKOW	KONIN
ELBLAG	NOWY SACZ	KOSZALIN
GDANSK	OPOLE	LESZNO
LODZ	PRZEMSYL	LEGNICA

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LOMZA RZESZOW PILA

LUBLIN	TARNOW	POZNAN
OLSZTYN		SLUPSK
OSTROLEKA		SZCZECIN
PIOTRKOW TRYBUNALSKI		TORUN
PLOCK		WALBRZYCH
RADOM		WLOCLAWEK
SIEDLCE		WROCLAW
SIERADZ		ZIELONA GORA
SKERNIEWICE		
SUWALKI		
TARNOBRZEG		
WARSZAWA		
ZAMOSC		

2. THE ONLY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FROM THE OLD DISTRICTS ARE IN INCLUDING CZESTOCHOWA (FORMERLY MOSTLY IN KATOWICE) AND TARNOBRZEG (FORMERLY LARGELY IN RZESZOW) IN WARSAW'S DISTRICT AND KIELCE (FOMERLY MOSTLY IN A LARGER KIELCE PROVINCE) IN KRAKOW'S DISTRICT.

3. ARTICLE 2, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE U.S.-POLISH CONSULAR CONVENTION STATES THAT "THE SENDING AND RECEIVING STATE SHALL DETERMINE BY AGREEMENT THE SEAT OF THE CONSULAR ESTABLISHMENT AS WELL AS THE LIMITS OF ITS CONDULAR DISTRICT". THE EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO TRANSMIT A NOTE TO THE MFA FORMALLY PROPOSING THE NEW COMPOSITION OF THE DISTRICTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND REQUESTS THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE.

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